



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. F-2016-01568

Segment: PA/EX-0001IC1

Arthur Spitzer, Esq.
American Civil Liberties Union of the Nation's Capital
4301 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Washington, DC 20008

Dear Mr. Spitzer:

I refer to our letter dated February 16, 2017, regarding the release of certain Department of State records under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") 5 U.S.C. § 552.

The review of 25 documents responsive to your request has been completed and we have determined that 1 may be released in full and 24 may be released with excisions. All released material is enclosed.

An enclosure explains Freedom of Information Act exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made excisions, the applicable exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, please contact DOJ Trial Attorney Ryan Parker at 202-514-4336 or ryan.parker@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Wetmore for

Eric F. Stein, Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures:
As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security; including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT.	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

- (b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

- (b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

- (b)(6) Personal privacy information

- (b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

From: Powell, Tanya A (PACE) on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Special Assistants
Subject: FW: Request for PA clearance of academic paper
Date: Monday, September 26, 2011 2:08:39 PM
Attachments: Archived

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PA/SCG Abigail Morales clears the attached article entitled, "Somalia's Clannish Islamists: Even Al-Shabaab Forced to Play by Clan Rules" with various edits, including edits to the disclaimer.

Thanks,
Tanya

Tanya A. Powell on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
Bureau of Public Affairs (PA/FO)
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paclearances@state.gov

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From: Powell, Tanya A (PACE) On Behalf Of PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 12:48 PM
To: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for PA clearance of academic paper

Thank you. Will let you know once PA has cleared the paper.

Regards,
Tanya

Tanya A. Powell on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
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paclearances@state.gov

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 12:41 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for PA clearance of academic paper

Tanya,

We (my co-author and I) had planned to submit it first to the West Point CTC Sentinel or the Jamestown Terrorism Monitor, other possibilities include the Journal of Conflict and Terrorism, Perspectives (National Defense University), etc. We don't have a pre-existing agreement with anyone to publish it. But those are the journals we had discussed submitting it to.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

INR/TNC

From: Powell, Tanya A (PACE) [mailto:PowellTA@state.gov] **On Behalf Of** PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 10:29 AM
To: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for PA clearance of academic paper

Where will this article be published (which academic publication)?

Thanks,
Tanya

Tanya A. Powell on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
Bureau of Public Affairs (PA/FO)
U.S. Department of State
Tel: (202) 647-9276
paclearances@state.gov

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 10:08 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Request for PA clearance of academic paper

PA Colleagues,

I am an INR analyst working on a draft paper on Somalia for academic publication. Per your previous guidance the paper has been cleared with my INR supervisor ([REDACTED]), S/CT (Leanne Erdberg) and AF/Somalia Desk (Rob Satrum).

Attached is the paper for PA review.

Please let me know if any additional information is needed.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

INR/TNC

From: Powell, Tanya A (PACE) [mailto:PowellTA@state.gov] **On Behalf Of** PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 12:47 PM

To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Process question for PA clearance of academic paper

It's best if it's cleared by AF and S/CT before you email it to PA for clearance.

Thanks for asking.

Tanya

Tanya A. Powell on behalf of PA Clearances Mailbox
Bureau of Public Affairs (PA/FO)
U.S. Department of State
Tel: (202) 647-9276
pa_clearances@state.gov

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 12:44 PM
To: Powell, Tanya A (PACE)
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: Process question for PA clearance of academic paper

Tanya,

Forwarding a query to you per Lisa Miller's out of office.

I am an INR analyst working on an draft academic paper on Somalia.

I have a "process question" on clearing such papers. My supervisor in INR has reviewed/cleared the draft. Do I now send it to PA Clearances, or do I first need to clear it with the regional/factional bureaus? (in this case, that would likely be AF and S/CT).

I would appreciate your guidance.

Regards,

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 12:40 PM
To: Miller, Lisa M (PACE)
Subject: Process question for PA clearance of academic paper

Ms. Miller,

I received your name from [redacted] in INR/AF. I am an INR analyst working on a draft academic publication on Somalia.

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I have a "process question" on clearing such papers. My supervisor in INR has reviewed/cleared the draft. Do I now send it to PA Clearances, or do I first need to clear it with the regional/factional bureaus? (in this case, that would likely be AF and S/CT).

As this is my first time submitting a draft for PA "pre-publication" clearance, I would appreciate your guidance. I just want to make sure I follow the proper procedure.

Regards and many thanks,

[redacted]

Africa Counterterrorism Analyst
INR/TNC

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From: Fowler, Valerie C.
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; [redacted] Blanc, Jarrett N; O'Connor, Eileen; Thornburg, Mark H; Arzt, JoAnne
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Afgh. civilian uplift draft document by [redacted] -- comments and documentation
Date: Monday, December 23, 2013 3:10:31 PM
Attachments: 2009-2011 Civilian Uplift -- edits on draft document by [redacted].pdf
Documents for Civilian Uplift -- Fall 2008 to August 2009.pdf

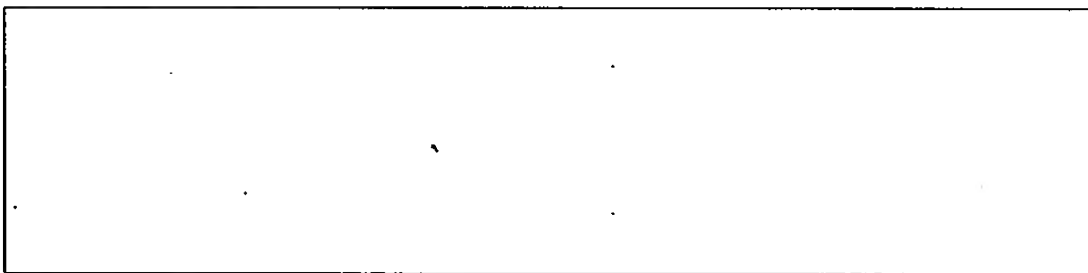
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All,

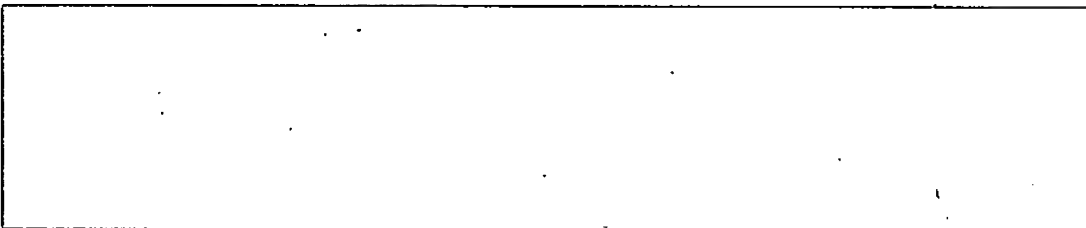
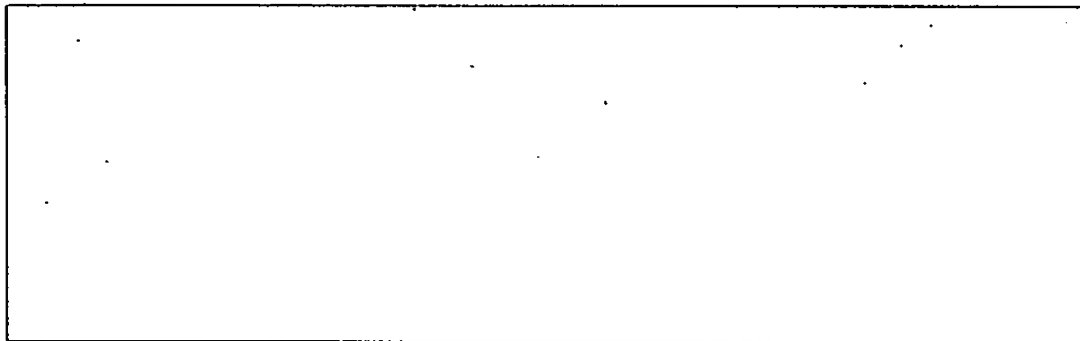
I applaud the initiative to document the civilian uplift in Afghanistan, and share Dawn's expectation that it is important for historical purposes, with the hope of avoiding the 'need' to continually re-learn the same lessons. With the partnership with NDU's Center for Complex Operations, this document will undoubtedly garner significant traction within both the civilian and military communities.

With that in mind, I took a close look at the draft document. I served as the State Department's PRT (and Local Governance) Office Director from July of 2008 to August 2009, and was integrally involved in the earlier steps of the civilian uplift not covered in this paper.



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I expect that in the move of the PRT/IPA Office in fall of 2009, paper and electronic files may have been reduced, so perhaps documentation of the 2008-2009 foundational decisions is no longer available at Post.



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[REDACTED]

With Best Regards,
Val

Valerie Crites Fowler
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From: Thornburg, Mark H [<mailto:ThornburgMH@state.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 09, 2013 11:33 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Huge file uploaded

Word document is not/not available – I already tried to get one.

Mark Thornburg
Press Section Unit Chief
Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs
202 647.8914
ThornburgMH@state.gov

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 09, 2013 11:23 AM
To: Thornburg, Mark H
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Huge file uploaded

the file received; PA/FO may prefer to receive a word doc in case they may have suggested edits.
can you check if a word doc is available? thanks

From: Thornburg, Mark H [<mailto:ThornburgMH@state.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 09, 2013 11:18 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: Huge file uploaded

Hey – just uploaded a massive file for clearance to the PA clearancs database, but I'm worried that because it's a huge file (15 megs), it might choke the system and bounce. If it didn't come through, let me know – I have it chopped into parts as well and can re-upload in smaller parts.

Thanks,
Thornburg

Mark Thornburg
Press Section Unit Chief
Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs
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ThornburgMH@state.gov

From: [REDACTED]
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Cc: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Urgent request for clearance--roundtable presentation
 Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2013 3:59:50 PM

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Dear Colleagues:

You were kind enough to clear my presentation last month at MIT. I have been asked to give the same presentation tomorrow afternoon at the Woodrow Wilson Center here in DC. The details are as follows:

Speaker's name, title and office symbol: [REDACTED] Senior Analyst, INR/REA
Date of event: Thursday, March 28, 2013
Venue Name, City and State: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC
Group/Organization Sponsoring the Event: The Kennan Institute for Russian and Eurasian Research, part of the Wilson Center.
Subject of Discussion: Russia policy toward Asia
Format (remarks with or without Q&A, panel discussion, keynote address, speech): Panel discussion of remarks with Q&A. No formal paper. No handouts.
Audience (number of expected attendees and demographics): Probably not more than 50 people, mostly academics
Media (open press, closed press): Closed press.
Attribution (on-the-record, off-the-record, on background): On the record.
Clearances [supervisor, regional bureau (as appropriate), others]: Clearances received from supervisor and Russia Desk.

Kindly let me know if I can repeat this presentation again tomorrow afternoon.

Peace,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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 Office of Analysis for Russia and Eurasia
 U.S. Department of State
 Washington, DC 20520
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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 6:10 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Urgent request for clearance--roundtable presentation

[REDACTED] - We clear. In the future, pls submit all requests via new PA Clearances Database (as you

saw this out of office guidance,

"Per Nov 14, 2012 Department Notice PA/EX-GSO 2012_11_088, on November 19, 2012 the Bureau of Public Affairs launched the PA Clearance Database, a new database for requesting and tracking PA clearance on all unclassified paper, including material regarding public speaking events, media engagement, and other publishing as outlined in 3 FAM 4170 and 10 FAM 120. This unclassified e-mail: "PA Clearances Mailbox" no longer exists and is not being monitored.

Users must create an account, and submit clearance requests through <https://paclearances.state.gov>. There will continue to be a 3:00 p.m. submission deadline for same-day clearances.")

If Database credentials requested, but not received, pls be sure to check the junk email folder as spam filters may route the email there. Thanks

Karlygash Faillace
Special Assistant, PA/FO
202 531 4716

From: [redacted] [mailto:\[redacted\]@state.gov](mailto:[redacted]@state.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2013 5:24 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Urgent request for clearance--roundtable presentation

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This is a last minute request, but I have been asked to make the same presentation that you cleared in November on another roundtable **tomorrow at 5:00 PM**. The November roundtable was on Russian Foreign Policy for the annual conference of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies in New Orleans, LA. The roundtable tomorrow addresses Russian foreign policy as well, and is scheduled to take place at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). I have all of the necessary desk clearances as before. May I repeat this previously cleared presentation? The official form follows:

Speaker's name, title and office symbol: [redacted] Senior Analyst, INR/REA
Date of event: Thursday, February 14, 2013
Venue Name, City and State: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
Group/Organization Sponsoring the Event: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
Subject of Discussion: Russia policy toward Asia
Format (remarks with or without Q&A, panel discussion, keynote address, speech): Panel discussion of remarks with Q&A. No formal paper. No handouts.
Audience (number of expected attendees and demographics): Probably not more than 50 people, mostly academics
Media (open press, closed press): Closed press.
Attribution (on-the-record, off-the-record, on background): On the record.
Clearances [supervisor, regional bureau (as appropriate), others]: Clearances received from supervisor and Russia Desk.

Please copy all correspondence on this to my home email account [redacted] so I can access it from Boston.

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Thanks,





Senior Analyst
Office of Analysis for Russia and Eurasia
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From: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
To: "Kincaid, Trevor"
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU
Date: Monday, January 12, 2015 3:07:21 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

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Hi Trevor,



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Let me know if you have any other questions.

Best,
Ruchi

Ruchi Gugliani Gill
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Office of the Legal Adviser (L/PD)
U.S. Department of State
(202) 632-6473

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 1:41 PM
To: 'Kincaid, Trevor'
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; Roth, David; Gill, Ruchi Gugliani; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Thank you, Trevor. A copy of USTR's edits is attached, which was given to the author. You are welcome to address your concerns with Ruchi Gill (L/PD), whom may explain the process and rights of the author for personal capacity communications (as it relates to 3 FAM 4170).

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: Kincaid, Trevor [mailto:Trevor_H_Kincaid@ustr.eop.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 1:30 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; Roth, David
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Just for future reference. How should we make our edits known? Obviously, we would not have cleared on the piece if we knew the edits we added, which were for factual accuracy, would not have been included in the final product. Fortunately, this one is not major but this could be an issue in the future. Thanks for the guidance.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 1:25 PM
To: Kincaid, Trevor
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; Roth, David; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Good afternoon Trevor,

Edits that were made by the ISDS desk was given to the author. Per 3 FAM 4170, only the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Under Secretary for Political Affairs or Under Secretary for Management can deny clearance or require an employee to rephrase his/her personal capacity speech. Any edits that are provided in the review process would be considered as suggestions only. If USTR wanted to deny clearance during the review process, we would have raised the issue with the Principals that were mentioned, which is a separate process. Unfortunately, there's nothing we can do about the publication.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: Kincaid, Trevor [http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:Trevor_H_Kincaid@ustr.eop.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 1:04 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; Roth, David
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Hey Team

We noticed the piece ran but ignored our edits. Any reason why?

From: Kincaid, Trevor
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 2:28 PM
To: 'PA Clearances Mailbox'
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Changes attached. Was inaccurate as it stood. Apologies.

Thanks

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 2:03 PM
To: Kincaid, Trevor
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Thank you!

From: Kincaid, Trevor [http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:Trevor_H_Kincaid@ustr.eop.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 2:02 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E
Subject: Re: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

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Trevor Kincaid
Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative
Office of Public Affairs
Executive Office of the President

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 02:01 PM
To: Kincaid, Trevor
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S <humphrevks@state.gov>; Barker, Tyson E <barkerte@state.gov>; PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Thank you, Sir Whose name may we list as clearing for USTR?

From: Kincaid, Trevor [http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:Trevor_H_Kincaid@ustr.eop.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 1:58 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E
Subject: Re: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Did not, reminded this morning too, but let's move it forward.

Trevor Kincaid
Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative
Office of Public Affairs
Executive Office of the President

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 01:46 PM
To: Kincaid, Trevor
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S <humphreyks@state.gov>; Barker, Tyson E <barkerte@state.gov>; PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Good afternoon Trevor,

Did you receive a response from the ISDS desk this morning? On December 4, The NAM and Trans-Atlantic Business Council will hold a conference in Brussels entitled, "ISDS: A Fact- and Experienced-Based Review." Both the author and the conference organizers would like the article to be published prior to this event so it can inform the content of the discussion. We would greatly appreciate your help in bringing this clearance process to closure today.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 11:51 AM
To: 'Kincaid, Trevor'
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Yes, open of business tomorrow will do. We appreciate your assistance.

Thank you,
PA Clearances.

From: Kincaid, Trevor [http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:Trevor_H_Kincaid@ustr.eop.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 9:56 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Cleared everyone but our ISDS desk who is on travel Would OOB work?

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 9:32 AM
To: Kincaid, Trevor
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Dear Trevor:

Following up on our request for review from last week. Please let us know your response today.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: Kincaid, Trevor [http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:Trevor_H_Kincaid@ustr.eop.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2014 8:51 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Humphrey, Kerry S; Barker, Tyson E
Subject: RE: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Will do. Thank you for sharing.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2014 8:47 AM
To: Kincaid, Trevor
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Humphrey, Kerry S
Subject: USTR: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Dear Trevor:

Kerry Humphrey from our Economic and Business Affairs Bureau suggested we reach out to you. We have received a very short article on TTIP from a State Department employee who is on detail to CSIS. He wrote it in his private capacity and will use a disclaimer.

It has been cleared here at State, but we request a USTR review as well.

Would you be able to conduct a quick review and advise us of comments/clearance by COB today?

Thank you for your assistance.

PA Clearances

From: Kizer, Karin L
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2014 06:27 PM
To: Humphrey, Kerry S
Cc: Tracton, Michael K; Turner, Michael R
Subject: RE: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Kerry:

Attached are my comments, which I have also sent to Mike. I did not see anything in the paper that would create a problem in the categories highlighted below.

Does this need to be sent to USTR as well, given that they have the lead on the negotiations?

Best,

Karin

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Humphrey, Kerry S
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2014 3:45 PM
To: Kizer, Karin L
Cc: Tracton, Michael K; Turner, Michael R
Subject: FW: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Thanks, Michael,
Karin, I've highlighted PA's clearance criteria below—they have asked our clearance by today, please.
Kerry

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2014 11:29 AM
To: Tracton, Michael K; Kizer, Karin L; Tumlinaro, Kim V
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Special Assistants
Subject: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU
Importance: High

Colleagues,

For your review, attached is a 2-page article entitled "Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU" written in a private capacity by [redacted] a State Department Visiting Fellow at CSIS. We would appreciate hearing from you by COB Friday, November 21. Please see [redacted]'s responses to the standard questions for additional details.

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**QUESTIONS TO FOR AUTHORS WHO WISH TO HAVE
ARTICLES/MANUSCRIPTS PUBLISHED**

- Author's name, current job title and office symbol: [redacted] State Department Visiting Fellow (co-authored with [redacted] CSIS Scholl Chair)
- Author's Bureau/Office Symbol: Visiting Fellow CSIS
- Is the author writing in a private or official capacity: Private
- Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article? No
- Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read? [redacted] is a State Department fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington, D.C. The views expressed herein are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. government
- Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)? No one
- Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication? CSIS website.

- Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year? No

PA is charged with reviewing documents on subjects of official concern written by State Department employees in their private capacities. In doing so, we may consult with relevant bureaus.

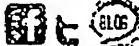
Under 3 FAM 4170, there are three circumstances in which an employee's personal capacity public communication may be prohibited:

1. If it contains classified information;
2. If it contains information not releasable under FOIA (e.g., protected employee information, law enforcement information, etc.);
3. If it is "highly likely to result in serious adverse consequences to the efficiency or mission of the Department."

If you believe the author's communication meets any of the above criteria, please provide a detailed explanation.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

Kerry S. Humphrey
Media Advisor
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs
U.S. Department of State
EB/EPPD/PD
HST, Rm 3741
Tel. 202-647-0677



This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Tracton, Michael K
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2014 3:20 PM
To: Tuminaro, Kim V; Kizer, Karin L; EB-A-PD-DL
Cc: Shannon, Janet D
Subject: RE: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Just a few comments on top of Kim's. Karin, do you have any comments? Thanks, Mike

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Tuminaro, Kim V
Sent: Friday, November 21, 2014 4:46 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; Kizer, Karin L; Tracton, Michael K

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; PA Special Assistants

Subject: FW: Publication Review - Keeping the "I" in TTIP: Investor Experience in the EU

Some thoughts on the attached piece, but overall looks good. Thanks! Kim

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: (* Maritime Privacy *)
Date: Thursday, August 28, 2014 2:57:00 PM
Attachments: 81100001.png

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Public Affairs Clearances Database
(Formerly PA Clearances Mailbox)

Maritime Request
Request Date: 8/28/2014 Request Title: (* Maritime Privacy *) Contact Name: <input type="text"/>
You have been selected by the PA Clearances Group to provide input to whether this Request is CLEARED OR DENIED
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From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: ("Peace of Mind, Health of Body")
Date: Friday, September 12, 2014 11:15:32 AM
Attachments: ATT00001.png

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(Formerly PA Clearances Mailbox)

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From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Database
Subject: ("US Foreign Policy on Translitio")
Date: Thursday, October 23, 2014 1:57:44 AM
Attachments: ATT00001.pdf

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(Formerly PA Clearances Mailbox)

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Request Date: 10/23/2014
Request Title: ("US Foreign Policy on Translitio")
Contact Name:
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From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Group
Subject: (* Appointment of first African A *)
Date: Wednesday, December 03, 2014 8:24:43 AM
Attachments: ATT0001.doc

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Request Date: 12/3/2014	
Request Title: (* Appointment of first African A *)	
Contact Name: <input type="text"/>	
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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
 To: [REDACTED]
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Reform piece 12-30 (clean).docx
 Date: Monday, January 06, 2014 3:04:03 PM

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Please submit your request through the Database (you received the out of office guidance with instructions earlier). Once in the Database, select "New Clearance Request" and under "Other" tab, please select "Manuscripts written by DOS employees" or "Articles" and answer the built-in questionnaire. When ready for PA to review, please select "Submit Directly to PA" button. Thank you

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
 Sent: Monday, January 06, 2014 2:57 PM
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Cc: [REDACTED]; Tracton, Michael K
 Subject: Reform piece 12-30 (clean).docx

Dear PA:

Attached please find a short piece drafted by [REDACTED] (L/CID) and me (L/EB) for publication in an online forum, *The TDM (Transnational Dispute Management) Journal*. We have received clearances internally from the relevant subject matter offices, as well as clearances from other USG agencies with an interest in the subject matter.

We would appreciate your clearance at the earliest convenience.

Best,

[REDACTED]

<< File: Reform piece 12-30 (clean).docx >>

[REDACTED]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Green, Hollyn J; AF-PA-Clearances
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Article Review: International Court of Justice Case Between Burkina Faso and Niger
Date: Friday, January 10, 2014 3:10:46 PM

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Thank you!

From: Green, Hollyn J [mailto:GreenHJ@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 3:10 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; AF-PA-Clearances
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Article Review: International Court of Justice Case Between Burkina Faso and Niger

The names were included on the database form. However, I'll certainly provide again.

Melissa Cline AF/W
Hollyn Green AF/PA

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 3:07 PM
To: AF-PA-Clearances
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Article Review: International Court of Justice Case Between Burkina Faso and Niger

AF Colleagues – We received your clearance through the database, thank you. For our records, please provide the name of the reviewer for this article.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 10:31 AM
To: AF-PA-Clearances
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Article Review: International Court of Justice Case Between Burkina Faso and Niger

AF Colleagues - You received this clearance request through the Database from PA. It contains the publication details (left link) as well as the word doc. Pls clear at your earliest convenience today.
Thank you!

From: Wall, Amanda J
To:
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: L article re EU process
Date: Friday, January 24, 2014 9:22:14 AM

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Hi -

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Thanks,
Amanda

Amanda J. Wall
Attorney Adviser
Office of the Legal Adviser
U.S. Department of State
202.663.1948

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From:
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 9:21 AM
To: Wall, Amanda J
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: L article re EU process

Hi Amanda,

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Thank you so much,

[REDACTED]

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This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Wall, Amanda J
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 8:51 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; [REDACTED]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: L article re EU process

Thank you all. [REDACTED]

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Thanks, Amanda

Amanda J. Wall
Attorney Adviser
Office of the Legal Adviser
U.S. Department of State
202.663.1948

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 8:44 AM
To: Wall, Amanda J; [REDACTED]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: L article re EU process

Thanks Amanda for closing the loop [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[Redacted]

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From: Wall, Amanda J [mailto:WallAJ@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 8:38 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; [Redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: L article re EU process

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Hi [Redacted] -

[Redacted]

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Thanks,
Amanda

Amanda J Wall
Attorney Adviser
Office of the Legal Adviser
U.S. Department of State
202 663 1948

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2014 6:49 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Wall, Amanda J
Subject: L article re EU process

[Redacted] - PA Clearances Database just sent you the clearance with edits from PA Bureau; in addition it listed EUR Bureau clearances in the form. Pls check with Amanda Wall in L if she needs to clear for any reason.

Thank you, PA Clearances

From: Honn, Aaron D [mailto:HonnAD@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2014 6:41 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; EUR-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: EUR: L article re EU process

Sorry for the delay. EUR clears:

EUR/ERA: AColeman-Honn
EUR/CE: SEMrich
EUR/RUS: OFink
EUR/SCE: JMoore

I assume L-Ethics has blessed?

Best,
Aaron

Aaron Honn
EUR/PRESS

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 4:39 PM
To: EUR-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: EUR: L article re EU process

EUR/Press – Earlier today you received an article for clearance sent through the PA Clearances Database. PA has cleared and it is pending your clearance. We note the author selected Jan 14 as a due date; pls let us know when EUR is able to clear. Thanks

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Moreland, Melissa R
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: EAP flagging: South Korea Food Case Study
Date: Friday, January 31, 2014 5:29:25 PM

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Thank you,

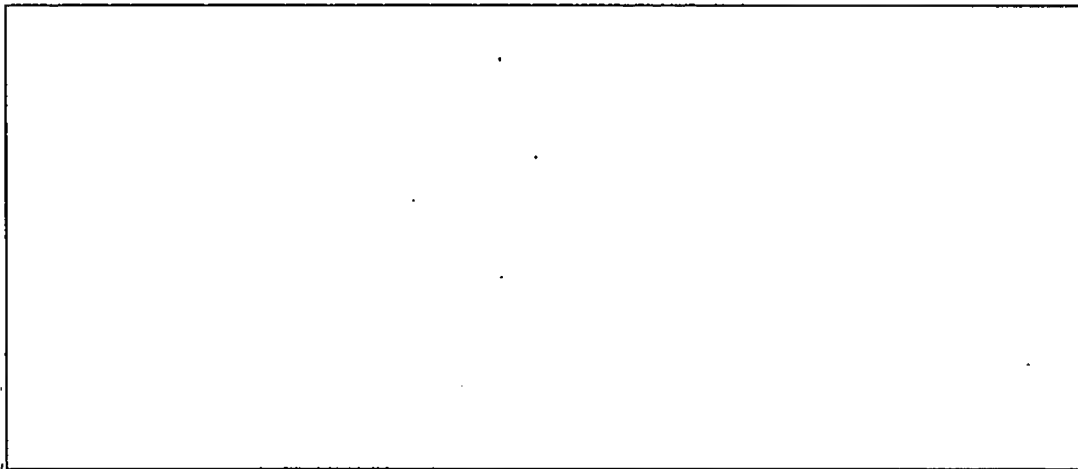
We conveyed

your/our suggestions.

From: Moreland, Melissa R [mailto:MorelandMR@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 31, 2014 5:03 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL
Subject: RE: EAP flagging: South Korea Food Case Study

PA Clearances,

EAP clears this article being re-published, but has some comments:



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U.S. Department of State
desk: 202-736-4537
✉ morelandmr@state.gov

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox (<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>)
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 11:48 AM
To: EAP-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: EAP flagging: two pending items sent through the Database

- PhD material Timor-Leste due 2/17 (PA already cleared, waiting for EAP)
- South Korea Food Case Study article due 2/6 (PA already cleared, waiting for EAP)

Thanks!

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Moreland, Melissa R
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation
Date: Monday, February 03, 2014 2:05:38 PM

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Thank you

From: Moreland, Melissa R [mailto:MorelandMR@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 2:06 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

You can put down:
Melissa Moreland (EAP/P)
Jane Gamble (EAP/MTS)

Melissa R. Moreland
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Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs (EAP/P)
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✉ morelandmr@state.gov

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 1:44 PM
To: Rebholz, Jason P; EAP-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

EAP Colleagues – Thank you for your clearance this am. [] likes all of the [EAP] edits and will make the appropriate changes. He thanks you profusely for the review. For PA's records, do you mind listing who cleared for EAP? Thanks

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From: Rebholz, Jason P [mailto:RebholzJP@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 1:29 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; EAP-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

Thanks for that clarification and for double-checking.

Jason P. Rebholz
Director of Public Affairs
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs (EAP/P)
Office: 202-647-2149
BB- [REDACTED]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 12:07 PM
To: EAP-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Fw: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

If L/EAP colleague has a particular issue to flag, pls let L/Ethics and PA Clearances know. Otherwise pls see below from L/Ethics. Tx

From: Wall, Amanda J [mailto:WallAJ@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 11:56 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

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Hello! [REDACTED]

Thanks, Amanda

Amanda J Wall
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U.S. Department of State
202.663.1948

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 11:47 AM
To: Wall, Amanda J
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

Amanda - [REDACTED]

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From: Rebholz, Jason P [<mailto:RebholzJP@state.gov>]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 11:46 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; Moreland, Melissa R
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

Apologies – my understanding is that ANY piece written by an employee needs L-Ethics clearance, regardless of remuneration. Our L/EAP person certainly believes L-Ethics needs to review.

Jason P. Rebholz
Director of Public Affairs
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs (EAP/P)
Office: 202-647-2149
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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 11:10 AM
To: Moreland, Melissa R
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

Thanks. The author is not seeking remuneration for the article; hence L-Ethics clearance is not required.

From: Moreland, Melissa R [<mailto:MorelandMR@state.gov>]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 10:55 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL
Subject: RE: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

Thanks, we're working on it. We assume you're working the L-Ethics angle.

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✉ morelandmr@state.gov

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 9:47 AM
To: PA History Mailbox; EAP-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: flag: Timor-Leste PhD dissertation

PA/HO and EPA Colleagues – The Database sent you this document for clearance just now. The left link has the questionnaire with details and the right link contains the document. The author requested clearance by 2/17 (earlier date is always welcome). Thanks

From: [redacted]
 To: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Question re: PA Clearances (* Don't Give Up on Ukrainian Uni *)
 Date: Monday, February 10, 2014 2:23:21 PM
 Attachment: [redacted]

Ok, (thanks very much for this hark/round)

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa.clearances@state.gov]
 Sent: Monday, February 10, 2014 2:54 PM
 To: Daly, Jane
 Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
 Subject: RE: Question re: PA Clearances (* Don't Give Up on Ukrainian Uni *)

Hi Jane - The author sent it to the PA Database. Then PA Database sent it to EUR-Press for clearance. Not sure why you cannot see it. Normally you'd click on the link and see the details of the request directly. Pls check with Adolph in case he can answer your questions for future reference. Aaron and Michael were able to see other similar submissions in the past. The author served in Kyiv before he went on LWOP in Dublin ([redacted]). The form he filled out shows nobody else has cleared yet. After EUR-Press runs it by relevant equities, PA will review and provide the final clearance. He requested clearance by 2/12 but pls keep in mind PA will need some time to review after you.

Name: FSO [redacted]

Is the author writing in a private or official capacity? - Private

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article? Note U/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration. - No

Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read? - Yes. Standard Views expressed are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the views of the Department of State.

Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)? - None N/A On LWOP in Dublin

Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication? - The Globalist.

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year? - No Not over the past year Departed Kyiv July 2012

Thanks,

PA Clearances

From: Daly, Jane
 Sent: Monday, February 10, 2014 2:36 PM
 To: Farlane, Karygash B; (U) Farlane, Karygash B (PACE)
 Subject: Question re: PA Clearances (* Don't Give Up on Ukrainian Uni *)

Hi Karly,

I hope this note finds you well! You'll note my voicemail message regarding the below clearance request. I can't seem to find the original request in the database - are you able to see who submitted this? If so, can you tell me who it was and if there have been any clearers? The author seems to be on LWOP in Dublin.

Many thanks,
 Jane

Jane Daly
 Public Outreach Officer | EUR/Press | [redacted]

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From: PA Clearances Group [mailto:pa.clearances@state.gov]
 Sent: Monday, February 10, 2014 2:06 PM
 To: EUR-Press
 Subject: (* Don't Give Up on Ukrainian Uni *)



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Clearance Request

Request Date: 2/10/2014
 Request Title: (* Don't Give Up on Ukrainian Uni *)
 Contact Name: [redacted]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Moreland, Melissa R
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Ethiopia book "Accidental Diplomat"
Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 1:34:45 PM

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We have not received any Database request as any submissions from posts go to the Bureau PAOs (EAP-Press in this case) We only received your e-mail and replied by email. Up to you how you want to respond to the author at post (email or Database).

From: Moreland, Melissa R [mailto:MorelandMR@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 1:34 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Ethiopia book "Accidental Diplomat"

Great, thanks. Did you submit the attached edits to the author through the database?

Melissa R. Moreland
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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:pa_clearances@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 12:50 PM
To: EAP-Press; Moreland, Melissa R
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: Ethiopia book "Accidental Diplomat"

Melissa - PA R. Thompson cleared, with suggested edits marked on pages 51, 55, 58, 187, 204, 206, 207, 216, and 277 in the attachment.

AF clearances are pasted below.

Also L/Ethics clearance e-mail attached.

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From: Hargan, Kimberly G [mailto:HarganKG@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 12:12 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: Green, Hollyn J
Subject: FW: Ethiopia book "Accidental Diplomat"

AF (myself) and L (Amanda Wall) clear on the content of this book.

Kim Hargan

Kimberly G Hargan

Country Affairs Officer for East Africa
Office of Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs
Bureau of African Affairs
U.S. Department of State

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2. If it contains information not releasable under FOIA (e.g., protected employee information, law enforcement information, etc.);
3. If the piece is "highly likely to result in serious adverse consequences to the efficiency or mission of the Department."

QUESTIONS TO ASK AUTHORS WHO WISH TO HAVE MANUSCRIPTS PUBLISHED

- What is the author's first and last name, current job title and office symbol?
[redacted] Environment, Science, Technology, and Health (ESTH) Unit Chief; EAP/K
- Is the author writing in his/her private capacity or official capacity?
Private capacity.
- Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her Department of State salary for the article? Note L/Ethics will need to clear if you will receive remuneration.
I hope to receive some remuneration, although even a best-case scenario would be very minimal.
- Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read?
I don't intend to use a disclaimer, but am happy to include one if advised.
- Who else has cleared (your supervisor, others within the Department of State)?
I have not yet asked anyone to clear my draft. I am working at U.S. Embassy Seoul, but the book is set in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia where I worked 2008-2011.
- Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication?
I will self-publish through Amazon's CreateSpace for both physical books and Kindle
- Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year?
No.

Comments from author:

The book is based on true stories experienced while I was serving at the U.S. Embassy in Addis

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Ababa, Ethiopia. Although the my job is the backdrop to the story (the reason I'm there), the story itself is a personal journey based on private/personal experiences that led me to develop a profound appreciation for America's core values.

From: Moreland, Melissa R [<mailto:MorelandMR@state.gov>]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 8:56 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: EAP-P-Office-DL
Subject: RE: Question regarding book for publication "Accidental Diplomat"
Importance: High

PA Clearances,

Apologies for the delay. Below is the form you requested.

From: Zumwalt, James P
To: Stevenson, Susan N; Zaring, Noah S; Fowler, Valerie C; Knapper, Marc E
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE)
Subject: RE: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda
Date: Thursday, May 29, 2014 6:22:23 PM

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[REDACTED]

James P. Zumwalt
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs
Department of State
Washington D.C. 20520
(202) 736-4393

SBU
This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Stevenson, Susan N
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 6:08 PM
To: Zaring, Noah S; Fowler, Valerie C; Knapper, Marc E
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE); Zumwalt, James P
Subject: RE: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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[REDACTED]

Susan

SBU
This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Zaring, Noah S
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 6:03 PM
To: Fowler, Valerie C; Stevenson, Susan N; Knapper, Marc E
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE); Zumwalt, James P
Subject: RE: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Noah

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This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Fowler, Valerie C
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 5:51 PM
To: Zaring, Noah S; Stevenson, Susan N; Knapper, Marc E
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE)
Subject: RE: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Thanks, Noah. [REDACTED]

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Valerie

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Zaring, Noah S
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 5:06 PM
To: Stevenson, Susan N; Fowler, Valerie C; Knapper, Marc E
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE)
Subject: RE: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Yes, I contacted USTR today. [REDACTED]

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Stevenson, Susan N
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 4:52 PM
To: Fowler, Valerie C; Knapper, Marc E; Hemsch, Peter G; Zaring, Noah S
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE)
Subject: RE: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Adding in the Japan Desk, who was contacting USTR before getting back to [REDACTED]

From: Fowler, Valerie C
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 11:20 AM
To: Stevenson, Susan N
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; Carrington, Margot J (PACE)
Subject: FW: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

Susan,

[REDACTED]

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Thanks, Val

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2014 11:17 AM
To: Fowler, Valerie C
Cc: Stukes, Lynne (PA/FO)
Subject: *** 21 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Val,

Just to follow up on this ongoing saga -- now up to three weeks! -- would it not be possible to request dealers to complete their work by date certain, e.g., COB today?

I just heard Mike Froman speak on TTIP, TPA, etc on Capitol Hill, and a number of mainstream speakers including U.S. Congressmen pressed the Administration to accelerate the free trade momentum. I.e., not a controversial point.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
To: fowlervc@state.gov
Subject: RE: FYI - FW: *** 20 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda
Date: Wed, 28 May 2014 15:35:31 -0400

Val,

Thank you for getting back to me during such a busy time. I am more than a little puzzled by the prolonged clearance process on this article -- it's not about nuclear weapons, or counter-terrorism, or Crimea, after all, and though I believe the WH needs to do more to push the trade agenda, my position is broadly supportive of that agenda.

To reiterate what I stated in my separate email (to you via your assistant), I have drawn on no classified or sensitive materials whatsoever, and do not even have access to Classnet in my current position.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: FowlerVC@state.gov
To: [REDACTED]
CC: paclearances@route.local
Subject: FW: FYI - FW: *** 20 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda
Date: Wed, 28 May 2014 18:55:47 +0000

[REDACTED]

I'm sorry I missed your call to the PA FO. I've been in budget meetings most of today, and am en route to the White House for my next meeting on the FY16 budget, so this is a particularly tough day to reach me.

As you know, your article is still under Department review. PA is actively working to get you an answer as soon as we can. I will remain actively engaged until we have that answer for you.

With Best Regards,

Val

Valerie Crites Fowler
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
Bureau of Public Affairs

U.S. Department of State
FowlerVC@state.gov
(w) 202 647-7192

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: [redacted] (mailto:[redacted])
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 1:08 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: *** 20 Days ***: [redacted] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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It has now been 20 days without a clearance - what is holding this up? May I please speak to someone at PA on the phone? Call [redacted] and leave a message with a telephone number that I can reach if I am not immediately available.

To reiterate, I do not have access to classified materials (I am on a detail at a think tank = CSIS in Washington), do not engage in sensitive discussions with anyone in the trade community, and do not divulge any sensitive or classified materials. This is a think piece written in my personal capacity, not a government document.

CSIS says they are ready to release the article onto their website. Please tell me immediately what I need to change in the article - if anything!

[redacted]
Visiting State Department Fellow,
Europe Program
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036

Tel.: [redacted]
Cell: [redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: Friday, May 23, 2014 6:10 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: *** 15 Days ***: [redacted] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

No need to quote the FAM to me: I am a Senior Foreign Service Officer (FE-MC) with 30 years' experience in the Department, and I perfectly understand that I am not to disclose classified or other sensitive material in this or any other published article. I also clearly and explicitly and unequivocally state in the disclaimer that the views are

mine alone. (I used the identical disclaimer in other articles previously cleared by the Department this year, but if you want to modify the disclaimer, just let me know.)

All of the information that I divulge in the article (and much, much more) is readily available in the trade publication Inside U.S. Trade, plus Financial Times, Economist, and numerous other unclassified newspapers and publications.

I am serving at CSIS in a senior detail authorized by the Director General. My job is to produce policy-related articles like this.

As of Tuesday, May 27, it will be 19 days since I submitted the article. Is anyone actually checking on the classification issue, or are they just sitting on it? If anyone is really concerned about this issue, they should contact me directly.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>

Sent: Friday, May 23, 2014 5:10 PM

To: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: *** 15 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your article is still under Department review. As you know, and as stated in the FAM, the purpose of this review "is to ensure that classified material and other material protected by law are not improperly disclosed, and that the views of employees are not improperly attributed to the U.S. Government." We are doing our best to get you a response as soon as possible and appreciate your patience.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Friday, May 23, 2014 10:14 AM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: *** 15 Days ***: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

Dear PA Clearances,

Would it be possible to take to someone in your office about this clearance? I submitted it 15 days ago. Please call me any time today at:

[redacted]
Thank you,

[redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 12:31 PM

To: [redacted]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: [redacted] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

[redacted]

This article is still under review. Please note that all reviewers involved, report directly to PA Clearances. We appreciate your patience, and we'll get back to you once all clearances are in place.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]

Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 12:07 PM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: [redacted] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

Hello PA Clearances,

As of tomorrow, it will be **two weeks** since I submitted this article for clearance. I know that EUR has cleared. Could you please expedite?

Thanks,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Visiting State Department Fellow,

Europe Program

Center for Strategic and International Studies

1616 Rhode Island Ave NW

Washington, DC 20036

[redacted]

Tel.: [redacted]

Cell: [redacted]

From: [redacted]

Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 11:05 AM

To: 'PA Clearances Mailbox'

Subject: RE: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

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Hello,

I learned last week that EUR has already cleared. I assume you are still waiting for clearance from EAP. Could you please check on the status?

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Visiting State Department Fellow,
Europe Program
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036

[REDACTED]

Tel.: [REDACTED]

Cell: [REDACTED]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox (<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>)

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 2:28 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

[REDACTED]

Thank you. We are awaiting clearances from the appropriate regional bureaus. We will send an update once all clearances are in place.

PA Clearances

From: [REDACTED] ([mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED]))

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 2:10 PM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: [REDACTED] (CSIS) article on America's Trade Agenda

Dear PA Clearances,

Could you please advise me on the status of this request?

Thank you,

[redacted]

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[redacted]

Visiting State Department Fellow,
Europe Program
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036

[redacted]

Tel.: [redacted]
Cell: [redacted]

From: [redacted]

Sent: Friday, May 09, 2014 9:42 AM

To: 'PA Clearances Mailbox'

Subject: RE: Difficulty submitting article at your website

OK, here again is the article with information you requested:

PUBLICATION REQUEST FORM (updated 11/29/2011)

Participant's name, title and office symbol: [redacted] Visiting Fellow, HR/CDA/SL
(Europe Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC)

Date of publication: May 8, 2014

Length of publication: 1,105 words

Medium (print, tv, radio, online): Online: CSIS website

Topic(s): "Has America's Trade Agenda Run out of Gas?"

Media Outlet: CSIS website

Recommendation: Please clear today, May 9, 2014

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her Department of State salary for the article? Note L/Ethics will need to clear if you will receive remuneration. NO.

Clearances [supervisor, regional bureau (as appropriate), others]: Supervisor at CSIS
(Heather Conley, Director, Europe Program, CSIS).

Thank you for your help!

[redacted]

[redacted]

Visiting State Department Fellow,
Europe Program
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036

[redacted]

Tel.: [redacted]
Cell: [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2014 9:23 PM
To: [REDACTED] PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Difficulty submitting article at your website

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your submission. Please provide the information requested below and send back to us.

Thank you.

PUBLICATION REQUEST FORM (updated 11/29/2011)

Participant's name, title and office symbol:

Date of publication:

Length of publication:

Medium (print, tv, radio, online):

Topic(s):

Media Outlet:

Recommendation:

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her Department of State salary for the article? Note L/Ethics will need to clear if you will receive remuneration.

Clearances [supervisor, regional bureau (as appropriate), others]:

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2014 2:26 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Difficulty submitting article at your website

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Dear PA Clearances,

I tried to submit the attached article for clearance to your website, but I can't get it to open on Internet Explorer.

Is there a new address for the website that I should be using, or alternatively, could I submit it to you via this email?

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Visiting State Department Fellow,

Europe Program
Center for Strategic and International Studies
1616 Rhode Island Ave NW
Washington, DC 20036

[Redacted]

Tel.: [Redacted]

Cell: [Redacted]

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From: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: Pakistan Article
Date: Monday, February 24, 2014 9:06:57 PM

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Yikes. That's even worse than my doing my day job, going home to eat and change, and then doing TF! Hang in there! Bless you!

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 08:40 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE); (U)Thompson, Rebecca B
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: Pakistan Article

Well the only down side is I'll have to do my day job as soon as 7am shift ends. The upside is hopefully very few clearances will be coming b/w now and 7am :-)

From: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 08:38 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; (U)Thompson, Rebecca B
Subject: Re: Pakistan Article

You won't have time, if it's anything like my Friday night graveyard shift was!

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 08:28 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE); (U)Thompson, Rebecca B
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: Pakistan Article

Thank you Rebecca! I'll be heading out for the 10:30pm-7am shift (Ukraine Unrest TF) soon but will continue the clearances tonight/tomorrow. I may not have full access to my BBs while in OPS. Hopefully will be able to access my Opennet email. -K

From: Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 08:18 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; (U)Thompson, Rebecca B
Subject: Re: Pakistan Article

Just finished this. Will clear with no changes, in database.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 05:18 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: (U)Thompson, Rebecca B; Thompson, Rebecca B (PACE)
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Fw: Pakistan Article

Rebecca - the author submitted this article long ago (around 1/31). We've been waiting for SCA to provide input/clearance. Pls review/clear. Will send the Database request as it has the add'l form the author submitted.

Also, we replied to SCA and the author that with SCA's input provided just now, PA will review and

advise the author of the final clearance.

Tx

From: Young, Margaret A (Meg) [mailto:YoungMA@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 05:09 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: [REDACTED] SCA-Press
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Article

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[REDACTED]

Thanks for taking the time to speak to me today.

SCA/PPD clears [REDACTED]

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Thanks for your patience!

Meg

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 8:22 AM
To: SCA-Press
Subject: FW: Article

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Thanks. The desk's clearance will be just in time if I can receive it today.

From: Thornburg, Mark H
Sent: Friday, February 21, 2014 6:25 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Article

Sir -- I know you're waiting on feedback about your article for NDU. I apologize for the delay -- we are waiting on final inputs from the Pakistan desk and will get you something back on Monday.

Mark Thornburg
Press Chief, South and Central Asia Bureau
Desk: 202-647-8914
Blackberry: [REDACTED]
thornburgmh@state.gov

From: Fowler, Valerie C
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: standard disclosure language, thanks
Date: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:14:58 PM.

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Thanks!

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:14 PM
To: Fowler, Valerie C
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: standard disclosure language, thanks

Val, he should also state his current affiliation (fellow or on detail) and then say,

"The views expressed in this article do not necessarily reflect those of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. government.

From: Fowler, Valerie C [mailto:FowlerVC@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:06 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: standard disclosure language, thanks

Karly,

Please send me the standard disclosure language. [] is using

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[] is a Foreign Service officer with the U.S. Department of State and was the Senior Civilian Representative at Provincial Reconstruction Team Ghazni from 2010-2011. The views expressed in this article do not represent the views of the State Department or U.S. Government.

And I think there is a better way to phrase that second sentence. Thanks! Val

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

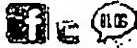
From: Finver, Frank J
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; [REDACTED]; Ballard, Lara A
Cc: EB-A-PD-DL; Kirkconnell, Laura J; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website
Date: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:55:06 PM
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 image003.png

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Thank you: And one day we'll know the true identity of this talking mailbox. ☺

Frank J Finver - Senior Media Advisor - Bureau of Economic & Business Affairs
 Office of Economic Policy Analysis & Public Diplomacy (EB/EPD/PD)Rm 3741
 (202) 647-0677 www.state.gov/e/cb/



From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:33 PM
To: Finver, Frank J; [REDACTED]; Ballard, Lara A
Cc: EB-A-PD-DL; Kirkconnell, Laura J; PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Re: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Thank you all. PA will close the Database loop shortly.

From: Finver, Frank J [mailto:FinverFJ@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 03:24 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: [REDACTED]; PA Clearances Mailbox; Ballard, Lara A
Cc: EB-A-PD-DL; Kirkconnell, Laura J
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

With that, EB clears. Good luck and best wishes, [REDACTED] FF

Frank J. Finver - Senior Media Advisor - Bureau of Economic & Business Affairs
 Office of Economic Policy Analysis & Public Diplomacy (EB/EPD/PD)Rm 3741
 (202) 647-0677 www.state.gov/e/cb/



From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:23 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox; Ballard, Lara A; Finver, Frank J
Cc: EB-A-PD-DL
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Many thanks to you all. This is welcome feedback. I will gladly substitute the phrase suggested below for the phrase [REDACTED] in the draft. It substantially improves the text.

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Best Regards, [REDACTED]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]

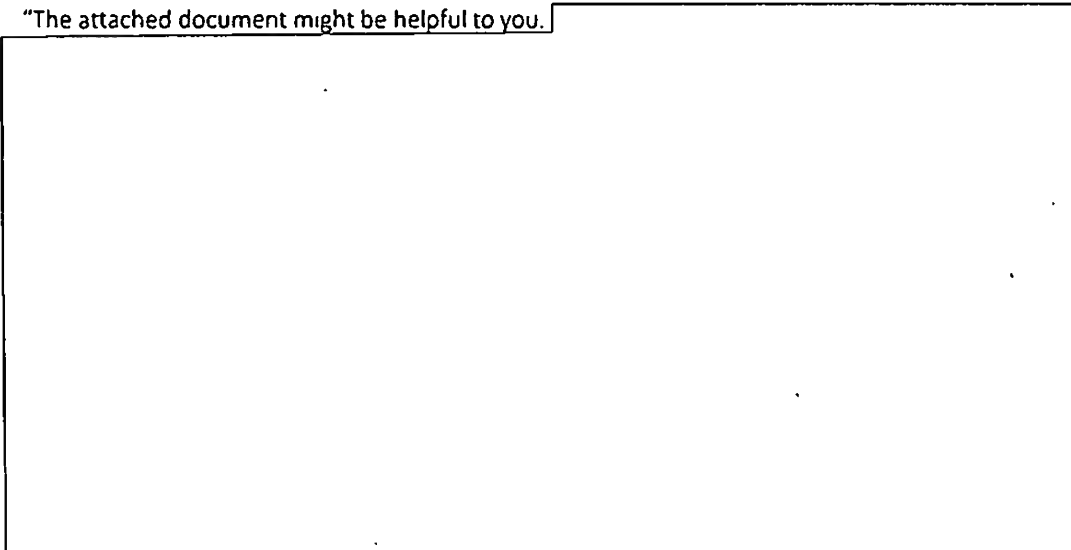
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 3:04 PM
To: [redacted]; Ballard, Lara A; Finver, Frank J
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox; EB-A-PD-DL
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

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Mr. [redacted]

We pinged EB colleagues this morning again and learned that EB office was trying to reach you by phone several times to discuss their concerns. Since they could not connect with you by phone, they shared their thoughts via email with us. Pls see below and attached.

"The attached document might be helpful to you."



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EB colleagues are cc'd here if you wish to address their concerns. PA will clear as soon as EB clears.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 1:56 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

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Dear PA colleagues:

Could you please provide an update on the status of the clearance? To date we have no/no substantive feedback on what might be issues of concern. It has now been two weeks since we submitted the paper for clearance.

Many thanks, [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:38 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

To re-iterate, proper clearance process goes through Press and PD Office of each bureau. There is no confusion. When the bureau is ready, EB/PD will let PA know which offices have cleared. As of now, EB/PD informed us that the review process is not complete/pending further discussion among EB offices. They appreciate our patience. Thank you

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:25 AM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Understand. Bob is the Acting DAS for Trade, so I guess it's confusing for both of us.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:20 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

PA Bureau works with Public Affairs Officers (PAOs) in regional and functional bureaus. PAOs in turn work with their bureaus and relevant offices and submit to PA consolidated bureau-wide clearances. We have been pinging PAOs in EB, and still waiting.

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:13 AM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Thanks. Bob Manogue in EB indicated to me on Wednesday that he had cleared. Strange.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:05 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

PA requested clearances from EB and EAP. EAP and PA already reviewed but we are still waiting to hear from back EB.

From: [REDACTED] (mailto:[REDACTED])

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 8:56 AM

To: PA Clearances Mailbox

Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Just want to check on status. In the upload process, I noted that we were looking for clearance by noon, yesterday. I know that EB has cleared. My editors want to move to final publication process tomorrow. Please advise.

thanks, [redacted]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 11:09 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Thank you

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 11:09 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Thanks. Please see responses below. I hope this helps. Best, [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 11:04 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Dear Mr [redacted] - We received your Database submission. The article is already in clearance. However we did not see you fill out the built-in questionnaire as you did not select "Articles" option from the drop down menu. To save the back and forth, pls answer these Qs below via email. Thank you

QUESTIONS TO ASK AUTHORS WHO WISH TO HAVE MANUSCRIPTS PUBLISHED

- Is the author writing in his/her private capacity or official capacity? Writing as CSIS State Department Visiting Fellow
- Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her Department of State salary for the article? Note L/Ethics will need to clear if you will receive remuneration. No
- Does the author intend to use a disclaimer? If so, how will the disclaimer read? My title is "State Department Visiting Fellow," which will be clearly labeled on the byline.
- Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year? No.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 10:07 AM
To: [redacted]

Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Dear Mr.

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Thank you for reaching out. Pls submit your request through the Database. Under the "Other" tab, from drop down menu, pls select "Articles" and fill out the built-in questionnaire, attach the document and click "Submit Directly to PA." The Database is not connected to Opennet and can be accessed from anywhere as long as there is internet connection. Also one can provide any e-mail address – the one you have most access to – as the Database will send notifications/clearance to that email address (it can be CSIS, NDU, DOS, gmail, hotmail, etc). Once received through the Database, PA will clear your article with relevant equities (including EAP and EB; and L/Ethics if applicable). The Database guidance is pasted down below:

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Users must create an account, and submit clearance requests through the new Database. If Database credentials requested but not received shortly, please be sure to check junk folder as spam filters may route the email there. If you are experiencing technical difficulties, please contact PA Help Desk at 202 647 7777 202 647 7777 202 647 7777 202 647 7777 202 647 7777 202 647 7777 202 647 7777. If you have a follow up clearance question after the request has been submitted via the Database, you may reach us at PAclearances@state.gov. There will continue to be a 3:00 p.m. Database submission deadline for same-day clearances. Clearances are no longer processed via this email."

Thank you,
 PA Clearances

From: [mailto:
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 9:15 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Draft Piece for Publication on CSIS Website

Dear PA Clearance Colleagues:

This item is ready for publication on the CSIS website. We would greatly value PA clearance to proceed.

Many thanks,

State Department Visiting Fellow
 Center for Strategic and International Studies

1616 Rhode Island Ave, Nw
Washington, DC 20006

Tel: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance
Date: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 2:40:15 PM

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Thank you, we responded on high side [REDACTED]

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From: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani [mailto:Gillrg@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 1:55 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance

Thanks, I've responded to you.

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 11:44 AM
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance

He replied on high side; pls check. Tx

From: PA Clearances Mailbox
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 11:14 AM
To: Gill, Ruchi Gugliani (gillrg@state.gov)
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: FW: Request for book clearance

FYI

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 10:24 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance

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I have received it and will be getting back to you. Thanks,

[REDACTED]
Director
Office for Analysis of Europe
Bureau of Intelligence and Research
Department of State.
[REDACTED]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 9:22 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance

Yes, our FO just sent it. Pls confirm you received. Thank you
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 9:14 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance

Could you please re-send (on the high side) the message regarding the classified material? Thanks,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Director
Office for Analysis of Europe
Bureau of Intelligence and Research
Department of State

[redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 9:26 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Request for book clearance

Mr [redacted]:

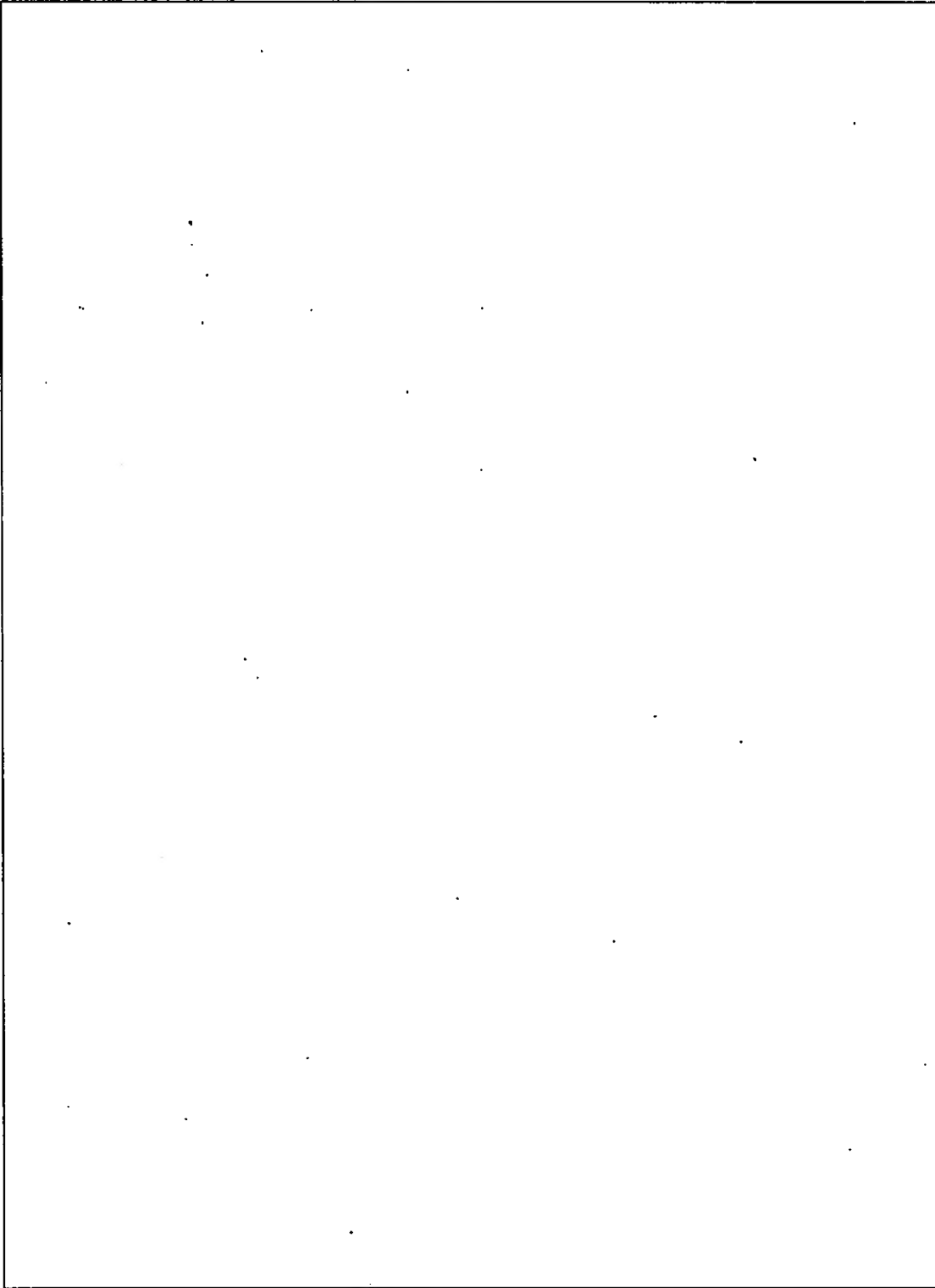
PA is charged with reviewing documents on subjects of official concern written by State Department employees in their private capacities. In doing so, we consult with relevant bureaus.

Under 3 FAM 4170, there are three circumstances under which clearance on a piece written in someone's personal capacity can be denied:

1. If it contains classified information;
2. If it contains information not releasable under FOIA (e.g., protected employee information, law enforcement information, etc.)
3. If the piece is "highly likely to result in serious adverse consequences to the efficiency or mission of the Department."

PA, WHA, EUR, L, and DCD (through the "A" Bureau) have completed the review of your manuscript. On the high side, we are sending you the message first thing in the morning stating what was found classified pursuant to the Department of State Classification Guide, DSCG-11-01, section IV(D). You need to remove that information from your book and destroy the copies of that one page. You will see the details on the high side.

Unclassified feedback is provided here. Pls note the following suggested edits:



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As for compensation, L/Ethics confirms that you can receive compensation for your book, 'Us and Them.' With that we clear, and will close the Database loop conveying this exact message.

Thank you,
PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@state.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 23, 2013 11:18 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Request for book clearance

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I request Department of State clearance for a book I have written in "private capacity" The book is a work of non-fiction. It describes my family's experiences during three consecutive overseas tours I have endeavored to keep classified material out of the book and I believe it contains no such material. The book contains a statement noting that the opinions expressed are my own and not necessarily those of the USG.

The book is entitled "US and Them – A U.S. Family Spends Ten Years *With Foreigners*." An electronic copy of the book (in .pdf form) is attached.

Please let me know if you need more information or if there is anything else I should do to obtain clearance.

Where does the author intend to submit the article/manuscript for publication?

- Commercial publishers.

Writing in private capacity using the standard disclaimer.

Does the paper relate in any way to the author's current duties or duties he/she had over the last year?

- The book deals with my family's experiences in Europe. I currently cover Europe in INR.

Will the author receive remuneration outside of his/her State Department salary for the article?

Note L/Ethics will need to clear if the author will receive remuneration:

- Yes.

Thank you,

[redacted]

Director
Office for Analysis of Europe
Bureau of Intelligence and Research
Department of State



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From: [redacted]
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Request on Investment Review Paper, 2nd Follow-up
Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014 7:44:40 AM

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Many thanks. The recommended changes are very welcome. Appreciate your expediting the review and welcome to the database.

best Regards, [redacted]

From: PA Clearances Mailbox <paclearances@state.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2014 5:05 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Clearance Request on Investment Review Paper, 2nd Follow-up

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Thank you for your patience. As I am still learning the database, I thought it best to attach the cleared article in an e-mail in order to get it to you quickly.

We only have a few edits, which are tracked in this document. [redacted]

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The other edits are suggested only.

We also request that you use a disclaimer, and here is suggested language – "The views expressed herein are those of the author, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. Government."

With that PA clears.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2014 10:53 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Request on Investment Review Paper, 2nd Follow-up

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Thanks. Much appreciated. Please expedite as it appears that this may be moving quickly towards the finish line.

From: PA Clearances Mailbox [mailto:paclearances@state.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2014 10:43 AM
To: [redacted] PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: RE: Clearance Request on Investment Review Paper, 2nd Follow-up

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

Thank you for your e-mail. I am filling in for the person who normally handles clearances in PA.

I will follow up on your request this morning and let you know ASAP.

Sorry for the delay.

Sincerely,

PA Clearances

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2014 10:27 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Clearance Request on Investment Review Paper, 2nd Follow-up

Dear PA Colleagues:

My editors have asked that I again seek feedback on the investment policy paper submitted on 3/10/2014.

Many thanks, [redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 7:30 AM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: Clearance Request on Investment Review Paper

Dear PA Colleagues:

My editors want to publish. Inside U.S. Trade ran a story on this issue on Friday morning (See title below). Please advise clearance status.

Thanks, [redacted]

NAM, Chamber Reject Call for U.S. Investment Review Akin To EU Process

From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Group
Subject: ("Ukraine, Avoiding Another Lead")
Date: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 10:33:09 AM
Attachments: ATT00011.doc

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Create Request

Request Date: 9/9/2014
Request Title: ("Ukraine, Avoiding Another Lead")
Contact Name:

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From: [Holmgard, Kathryn L](#)
To: [PA Clearances Mailbox](#); [IO-Press-DL](#)
Cc: [PA Clearances Mailbox](#)
Subject: RE: IO Clearance Request: paper for clearance
Date: Tuesday, May 06, 2014 3:51:12 PM

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Clear for IO and L/UNA. Thanks!

Kathryn L. Holmgard • Public Affairs Officer
Bureau of International Organizations • U.S. Department of State
2201 C St, NW Rm 1318, Washington, DC 20520 | ☎: 202-647-0038 | holmgardkl@state.gov

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From: PA Clearances Mailbox [<mailto:paclearances@state.gov>]
Sent: Friday, May 02, 2014 9:05 AM
To: IO-Press-DL
Cc: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: IO Clearance Request: paper for clearance

IO Colleagues:

PA is requesting your review/comments/clearance on the attached article, as it discusses UN-related initiatives.

Please provide your comments by COB Wednesday, May 7.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you

From: [redacted] [[mailto:\[redacted\]@state.gov](mailto:[redacted]@state.gov)]
Sent: Thursday, May 01, 2014 1:21 PM
To: PA Clearances Mailbox
Subject: paper for clearance

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Please find attached a paper for publication clearance. The paper is by an employee writing in personal capacity and includes no classified information.

If there are any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Senior Analyst, Cultural Heritage Center
U.S. Department of State
SA-5, ECA/P/C
Washington, DC 20522
202-632-6306

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From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Group
Subject: (* World Cup Mexico City Protest *)
Date: Thursday, June 12, 2014 2:12:07 PM
Attachments: ATT0001.LOC

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Denial Request

Request Date: 6/12/2014
Request Title: (* World Cup Mexico City Protest *)
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From: PA Clearances Group
To: PA Clearances Group
Subject: (* Attributed quote for clearance *)
Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2014 10:43:20 AM
Attachments: ATT0001.txt

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Deny Request

Request Date: 6/18/2014
Request Title: (* Attributed quote for clearance *)
Contact Name:

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